

COMMUNICATIONS CUT IN REAR OF THE RETREATING RUSSIAN FORCES

No Word From Linewitch
Causes Grave Concern
St. Petersburg.

SURRENDER FEARED

Retreat to Harbin Over Long,
Narrow Road, With the
Enemy Harassing.

St. Petersburg, March 18.—A telegram from Kuropatkin to the emperor dated March 18 says:
"In accordance with the orders of your majesty received March 16, I handed over to Gen. Linewitch today command of the land and sea forces operating against the Japanese."
Linewitch telegraphed the emperor he had assumed command.

Retreat Without Being Pressed.
A couple of brief messages from Kuropatkin dated the 16th says:
"The rear guards of our armies were engaged the 15th on a ridge southeast of Tie pass near the village of Pelit-zuan. At night the rear guard fell back to a position at the bend in Liao river near the village of Kamuluta without being pressed by the enemy."

Continue March.
"On March 16 our armies continued their march."
"On March 15 the town of Kakoma (25 miles northeast of Mukden) was occupied by Japanese bandits."

Little Known at Tokio.
Tokio, March 17.—(Delayed.)—Beyond the retirement of Russians all along the railway northward, little is known here of the details of the past three days' events in Manchuria. Various reports of a number of additional Russian prisoners captured are in circulation. One estimate is 20,000. It is impossible to confirm the reports.

May Stop South of Harbin.
There is much speculation over the extent of the Russian's retirement. Harbin is regarded as the logical base but it is suggested they may attempt to hold the Kirin line. The country between Kiayuan and Sangari is inhospitable.

Telegraph Lines Cut.
St. Petersburg, March 18.—Telegraphic communication with the retreating Russian army has been cut for over 24 hours and the war office naturally is the prey of the direst forebodings. The last word from the front was contained in a telegram from the Associated Press Russian correspondents, the only correspondent with the retreating army. It presaged an attack from the rear.

Arrived This Morning.
The telegram, although dated at Changtufu, 40 miles north of Tie pass, at 4 Thursday afternoon, only reached St. Petersburg this morning.
It was very brief, saying simply the army was retreating in good order, destroying the railroad as it went, but was constantly pressed by the Japanese rear guard, and movement being continuous.

Hint at Turning Movement.
There were ominous words in the concluding sentence, as follows:
"We believe the Japanese are making a wide turning movement north, and are ready to fall upon us when we get out of the ring-like group of mountains which surround the Tie pass gorge."

RETREAT IS OVER AN INADEQUATE ROUTE; SURRENDER POSSIBLE

St. Petersburg, March 18.—In the long retreat to Harbin the Russians

KID AMMERMAN'S FAILURE TO FIGHT PRECIPITATES A RIOT BY PEORIA CROWD

Peoria, Ill., March 18.—Angry at their failure to get their money back after a fake prize fight in this city, last night, 100 men and boys wrecked the storeroom where the affair had been held under the auspices of the

IOWA MAN STAYS

Frank W. Mahin Will Not be
Ousted From Nottingham
Consulate.

CAUSED A FLURRY AT HOME

Dobson, Who Was to Succeed Him,
is Sent to Hanchow, China,
By President.

Washington, March 18.—President Roosevelt recently sent to the senate the nomination of George L. Dobson, of Iowa, to be consul for the United States at Nottingham, England, vice Frank W. Mahin. The appointment created a flurry in the Iowa delegation in congress.

Mahin is an Iowa man and Senators Allison and Dolliver objected to his displacement even by another Iowa resident and as a consequence Dobson's appointment was held up.

Have a Consultation.
After a consultation between the president and the Iowa senators it was decided to make a change. Today the president sent to the senate the nomination of Dobson to be consul at Hanchow, China, vice George E. Anderson, promoted to consul at Amoy, the nomination as consul at Nottingham being withdrawn. This arrangement leaves Mahin in the Nottingham consulate.

only have the advantage of the Mandarin road so far as Kalyun whence it bears eastward to Kirin while the railroad continues north to Harbin.

According to the general staff, however, a good wagon road runs parallel to the railroad. But for an army of a quarter of a million men encumbered with impedimenta, with an active enemy relentlessly pursuing and operating on its flanks and the constant threat of the enemy's closing the line of retreat it is admitted the single railroad and wagon road afford poor prospects of Linewitch being able to bring off the remnants of the army confided to his care without tremendous sacrifice of life.

Might Have to Surrender.
If the Japanese actually succeed in throwing a strong force across the line of retreat it is recognized the army might be forced to capitulate.

In the meantime the mobilization of a new army has already begun in several provinces although the order has not yet been published. A division of Imperial guards at St. Petersburg received orders today.

Approve of New Commander.
Newspapers generally endorse Linewitch's selection as temporary commander-in-chief on the ground that Kuropatkin's lack of success made his removal imperative. At the same time it is recognized Kuropatkin's failure also rests on other shoulders and pity is expressed at his sad fate.

Heavy Action.
Yinkow, March 18.—It is reported the Russian rear guard is fighting in heavy action in the vicinity of Kalyuan.

WILLIAM WARNER MISSOURI SENATOR

KERENS WITHDRAWS IN FINAL SESSION TO ELECT SUCCESSOR
TO COCKRELL—GREAT EXCITEMENT DURING BALLOTING.
ONE FIGHT TAKING PLACE ON THE FLOOR.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 18.—William Warner was elected United States senator to succeed Cockrell.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 18.—The legislature convened in final joint session today to make its last effort to break the senatorial deadlock and elect a senator. The roll call showed 175 members present and one absentee, making 88 votes necessary to elect. The 61st ballot resulted:
Cockrell, 82; Warner, 64; Niedringhaus, 21; Kerens, 5; Bartholdt, 1; Peck, 1.
Kerens Gives Up Fight.
After the 66th ballot was taken,

Refuse Vote on Adjournment.
Democrats demanded recognition on a motion to adjourn but the clerk refused a roll call. Fighting started in one end of the hall resulting in smashing a clock. The 67th ballot proceeded amid a riotous tumult.

BODY OF MURDERER FOUND IN THE RIVER

St. Paul Police Discover Remains
Shedding Light on Schindel-decker Killing.

St. Paul, Minn., March 18.—The body of Joseph Hartman, the alleged accomplice of Edward Gottschalk, who is charged with the murder of Christian Schindeldecker in his meat market on Feb. 18 was found in the Mississippi river yesterday.

The body was found by the police who have been dragging the river for days on the supposition that after having assisted in the murder of Schindeldecker, Hartman was killed to prevent him giving information about the murder.
No doubt exists that Hartman was murdered. Upon his feet were tied two heavy flat irons to keep the body from rising to the surface. On the back of his head was a cut, apparently made with a flat iron. Edward Gottschalk was held to the grand jury on a charge of having murdered Christian H. Schindeldecker.

RAILROAD BRIDGES MAY BE DESTROYED

Directors of Russian Line Ask for
Troops to Guard Property—
Riots at Lodz.

Warsaw, March 18.—The directors of the Vistula railroad have asked for troops to guard the bridges between Siedlce and Malkin because of the receipt of letters threatening their destruction.

There has been a revival of the strike agitation in the Lodz district. A party of strike leaders tried to force the workmen at the mills at Fabianco to quit work but the men refused. A fight followed and an agitator was killed and others injured.

MOTHERS ARE AGAINST SMOOT

Congress in Denouncing Mormonism
Demands Expulsion.

Washington, March 18.—The national mothers' congress yesterday adopted resolutions strongly denouncing Mormonism and demanding the expulsion of Reed Smoot from the senate. After reviewing the testimony given before the senate investigating committee by the superintendent of public education in Utah, and stating that but four lives stand between Senator Smoot and the presidency of the Mormon hierarchy, the resolutions ask the United States senate to remove Reed Smoot and to take such measures as effectively will prevent any organization from "defying civil and divine laws."

GAS EXPLOSION IS FATAL

Two Women and Two Children Injured
at Sioux City.

Sioux City, Iowa, March 18.—Mrs. George Yeaman, her sister, Mrs. J. H. Jones and two little children, Gladys and Frances Yeaman, were terribly burned in an explosion of gas today. Mrs. Yeaman will probably die. Gas had been escaping in the house and when a match was struck the explosion lifted the roof off the building.

MURDERER GOT OFF EASY

William Cain, of Galesburg Convicted
of Manslaughter.

Galesburg, Ill., March 18.—William Cain was yesterday afternoon convicted of manslaughter for the murder of Frank Weir, a railroad brakeman, on Feb. 23.

Governor's Mother Dead.

Jackson, Miss., March 18.—Mrs. Mary Fox Vardaman, mother of Gov. Vardaman, dropped dead today in the bath room.

TOWN REPORTED IN INSURGENTS' HANDS

Aden, Arabia, March 18.—It is reported that Sanaa, the capital of the province of Yemen, with its garrison of 5,000 men has fallen into the hands of the Arabian insurgents.

SECRETARY HAY STRICKEN WHILE BOARDING VESSEL FOR EUROPE

Friend's Help Alone Prevents Him From Falling
and He is Carried On Ship—Going
Abroad for Benefit of Health.

New York, March 18.—While Secretary of State Hay was boarding the steamship Celtic to sail for Europe today he was seized with a fit of weakness and nearly collapsed. He would have fallen had not a friend supported him. He was taken to a pile of freight where he sat down until attendants brought a wheel chair on which he was taken aboard the Celtic.

Left the Dock.
The Celtic left the dock with the secretary still on board and it is believed his seizure is not of a serious character.
Passing Sandy Hook the Celtic displayed a signal saying the secretary was much better.

Hay has been in poor health for some time and the voyage upon which he started today was planned to give him a complete rest and opportunity to recuperate.
Will Report at Azores.
The secretary is accompanied by Mrs. Hay and Henry Adams, a personal friend. The Celtic is not equipped with wireless telegraph and except for possible signals to passing vessels no word of the secretary's condition will be had until she reaches the Azores, her first stopping place.

KOHLSAAT, BETHEA AND LANDS FOR UNITED STATES JUDGES IN ILLINOIS

Washington, March 18.—President Roosevelt had a conference today with Senators Cullom and Hopkins and Speaker Cannon, at which it was determined to appoint C. C. Kohlsaat, United States district judge for the

PRESIDENT GUEST MISSOURI "RILED"

Entertained by Friendly Sons of
St. Patrick at a
Dinner.

WAS 121ST ANNUAL AFFAIR

Same Society Honored Washington in
1782—Great Function at
Delmonico's.

New York, March 18.—President Roosevelt was the guest of honor last night at the 121st annual dinner of the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick. He was accorded a flattering ovation by members of the society and its guests and responded in a notable address.
A banquet was given in the golden dining hall of the Delmonico and its annex and both rooms were filled to their capacity. So great was the demand for tickets that the society was obliged to refuse more than 2,000 applications.

Decorations Were Elaborate.
Both the main banquet hall and the annex were beautifully decorated with festoons of stars, and stripes, into which was effectively woven the green and gold flag of Erin. Immediately back of and above the seat of the president were the Gaelic words "Cead Mile Failte," in letters of fire, signifying "A thousand welcomes." To the right and left of the guests' table were fine medallions of Washington and Roosevelt, illuminated by unique electric effects.

First President Entertained.
The contrast of Washington and Roosevelt was significant. The Friendly Sons of St. Patrick entertained Washington in 1782 as general in chief of the colonial armies. Roosevelt is the first president, as such, the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick have entertained, although both Arthur and Cleveland, ex-presidents, were guests of the society.
151 Indictments Against Trust.
Morgan Field, Ky., March 18.—The Union county grand jury has returned 151 indictments against the Standard Oil company for selling oil in retail lots without a license. The penalty is a fine of from \$50 to \$1,000 for each conviction. This is said to be the largest number of indictments ever returned against any one corporation in Kentucky.

OHIO MURDERER IS GIVEN LONG TERM

John Wager, Who Killed Brother and
Fought off Officers,
Sentenced.

Cleveland, March 18.—John Wager, who killed his brother, dangerously wounded a policeman and defied a posse of officers from his barricaded home, in Lakewood, two months ago, was today sentenced to 25 years in the penitentiary. He is a member of a prominent and wealthy family.

TEN HURT ON THE SANTA FE

Broken Rail Causes Passenger to
Leave the Track.

Hutchinson, Kans., March 18.—A westbound Santa Fe passenger was derailed near here early today by a broken rail. Ten persons were more or less injured.

Hunt Out on Bail.
Chicago, March 18.—William H. Hunt, former president of the defunct Pan-American Banking company, was released from jail today on \$10,000 cash bond. He is accused of embezzlement.

Bite of Cat Fatal.
St. Louis, March 18.—The bite of a pet cat nine months ago, caused the death by hydrophobia of Henry Pfister, aged 9.

Fire Destroys Works of Art.
New York, March 18.—Many valuable paintings and pieces of statuary and articles used in instruction were destroyed today by a fire which damaged the building occupied by the National Academy of Design.

Uneventful Trip.
Washington, March 18.—The president and Mrs. Roosevelt reached Washington at 7:20 today. The trip from New York was without noteworthy incident.

**FEAR SCHOONER IS
LOST WITH 60 SOULS**
San Francisco, Cal., March 18.—It is feared the schooner Perl, which sailed from here Dec. 7, has been wrecked and all on board numbering 36 persons lost on a rock off Sanak, Alaska.

SENATE BUSY IN CLOSING: DOMINGO TREATY FAILS

PROMISE IS KEPT

Peabody Resigns Office of Gov-
ernor in Less Than 24
Hours.

MCDONALD IS SWORN IN

State Has Three Executives in a
Day's Time—Adams Declares
It an Outrage.

Denver, Colo., March 18.—James H. Peabody kept his promise to resign the governorship of Colorado after holding it one day. His resignation, of which W. S. Boynton of Colorado Springs has been custodian since Wednesday, when it was written, was filed in the office of the secretary of state at 4:20 o'clock yesterday afternoon.
James Cowie, secretary of state, immediately certified Gov. Peabody's resignation, and Lieut. Gov. McDonald was sworn in as governor by Chief Justice Gabert. There was no further ceremony.

Three Governors in 24 Hours.
Gov. Adams was ousted and Gov. Peabody installed by the general assembly at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon, and Gov. McDonald was sworn in before 5 o'clock yesterday. Thus in less than 24 hours Colorado had three governors.

Gov. Peabody received many callers who urged him not to resign, and also many messages of the same import. To all these he replied he did not care to hold the chair. He said he was tired of the worry and excitement of his contest, and wished to go back to his bank in Canon City. A half dozen members of the national guard patrolled about the executive chamber during the day.

Has Taken No Part.
McDonald has taken no part in the fight over the governorship, which has been waged since the election, Nov. 8. He refused to aid his friends in the legislature to have him made governor, and, as presiding officer in the joint assembly, he made several rulings against the movement in his behalf.

Senator Arthur Cornforth, president pro tempore of the senate, will be acting lieutenant governor.
Adams Says He Is Outraged.
"I am going back to my home and my business in Pueblo," said Adams, who was deposed after having served 66 days of the two years term. "I am president of a savings bank and I have a hardware establishment.
"I have been outraged and I feel the resentment that is natural. I am for law and order, and self-sacrifice is a part of my duty in advance to that principle. I submit to the outrage that could not be prevented peacefully."

CHADWICK GOODS \$25,000
Woman's Household Property Sold at Auction in Cleveland.
Cleveland, O., March 18.—The household goods of Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick brought \$25,200 at auction yesterday, A. D. Nelson buying them for a New York art gallery. Samuel L. Winternitz of Chicago was the second highest of the 20 bidders, offering \$25,100. Each of the bidders were required to deposit \$1,000 before making an offer.

HEAVY SNOW IN COLORADO
Ties up All Roads in the Vicinity of
Cripple Creek.

Victor, Colo., March 18.—Railway service on steam and electric lines throughout the Cripple Creek district is practically in a state of blockade, the result of a snow storm. Snow is nearly two feet deep on the level for miles around and still continues.

WARSHIP IN WATER

Two Distinct Innovations Con-
nected With Launching of
the Washington.

Philadelphia, Pa., March 18.—The armored cruiser Washington, sister ship to the Tennessee, was launched at the yards of the New York Shipbuilding company at noon today.
The Washington was the first naval vessel to be launched in the United States by means of an automatic trigger device which obviated the customary sawing of the braces at the bow.

The cruiser also was the first vessel to be launched from beneath the glass-covered shed from the shipyard in the east.

Miss Helen Stewart Wilson, daughter of former Senator John L. Wilson, of Washington, christened the cruiser.

Business Completed Ready
For Adjournment
at 2 p. m.

PRESIDENT NOTIFIED

All Nominations but One Are
Confirmed—Matters
Passed Upon.

Washington, March 18, 3:39 p. m.—The senate adjourned sine die.

Ready to Adjourn.

Washington, March 18.—At 2 p. m. the senate formally reached a decision that the San Domingo treaty could not be ratified. The pending nominations were disposed of and Cullom and McCready named as a committee to notify the president the senate was ready to adjourn sine die.

One Nomination Held Up.

Washington, March 18.—All nominations sent to the senate today, except that of Edwin V. Morgan, of New York, to be minister to Korea, were confirmed.

The president nominated H. K. Butterfield as district attorney for eastern Wisconsin.

The senate later confirmed Morgan's nomination.

London Revenue Collector.

Washington, March 18.—President Roosevelt has appointed Walter S. London revenue collector of the 13th district of Illinois. All nominations were sent to the senate today.

Teller Asks Information.

Washington, March 18.—A resolution by Teller requesting the president to send to the senate certain information relating to San Domingo affairs was laid before the senate today. At the conclusion of the discussion the resolution was referred to the committee on foreign relations. The senate went into executive session.

Had No Dealings.

Washington, March 18.—Senator Foraker presented to the senate in executive session a telegram from William Nelson Cromwell, of New York, denying that he had any dealings with the Dominican government in a scheme to take charge of the financial affairs of the Dominican government. The telegram was put in as a reply to the charges against Cromwell in a speech by Senator Morgan yesterday.

Confirmed by Senate.

Washington, March 18.—The following nominations were confirmed by the senate: Peter V. DeGraw, District of Columbia to be fourth assistant postmaster general.

Francis M. Wright to be United States district judge for the eastern district of Illinois.

Fenton W. Booth of Illinois, to be judge of the court of claims.

Consuls—William R. Estes, of Minnesota, at Solingen, Germany; Hiram L. Dunlap, of Illinois at Cologne, Germany.

EX-GOVERNOR OF MICHIGAN

Cyrus G. Luce Dies at Home at Cold
Water, of Goitre.

Cold Water, Mich., March 18.—Ex-Gov. Cyrus G. Luce died today at his home here, aged 88. He had been suffering three years from goitre.

Town is Named Roosevelt.

Madison, Wis., March 18.—The assembly yesterday passed a bill for the creation in Taylor county of a town named Roosevelt.

PLAGUE IS RAGING

City of Pisagua, Chile, Nearly
Depopulated by Bubonic
Disease.

New York, March 18.—Owing to the ravages of bubonic plague not more than 500 inhabitants remain in the city of Pisagua, Chile, according to a dispatch from the Herald correspondent there.

The place had a population of 20,000 but all who are able have fled.

Sea Menaces San Diego Hotel.

San Diego, Cal., March 18.—The sea continues to eat into Coronado, and much alarm is felt. The great hotel is threatened, and men are working night and day dropping bags of sand in front of the devastating waves. The boulevard has been carried out and several dwellings are threatened.